



Our Values for this half term are:

Creativity

Thinkers, Adaptable, Independence, Imagination.

Wednesday 6th September 2017

Newsletter No. 1

Dear Parents & Carers,

May I take this opportunity to welcome you all back to school. I hope you had an enjoyable summer holiday and are ready for the exciting new term ahead.

Brain Awareness Activities

During the first three days of this term all pupils will be undertaking a number of exciting activities to help them learn more about their amazing brains.

Staffing – Leadership Team Update

Miss Wilson will be responsible for Foundation and Year 1 & 2.

Miss Ducker will be responsible for Years 3 to 5

Relief Lunchtime Staff

We are currently looking for additional relief Lunchtime Assistants. If you are interested in helping out when cover is needed, please contact the school office to arrange a time to discuss the role. Appointment to this role is subject to a DBS check.

Nut Allergies

I would like to take this opportunity to remind you that Camestone is a 'nut free' school as a number of our pupils have severe nut allergies. I thank you in advance for your co-operation with this matter.

Water Bottles

Children are expected to bring a water bottle every day. These should be named and should contain water only, as dental advice suggests that constant sipping of juice is not good for young teeth.

Cycle Storage

Please can I remind you that if you wish to store your bike please remember that the school has no responsibility for the bikes so please leave them secure and locked.

Eid Celebration Day

This Friday, the school will be having an Eid celebration day. Your child or children do not need to wear school uniform on this day, but may wear special / party clothes. Please remember though the children need to be dressed practically for the normal school day.

If you celebrate Eid we would be very grateful to hear about how you celebrate. We would also welcome donations of food that is eaten at Eid to share with the children. (Please no nuts)

Jeans for Genes Day

On Friday, September 22nd we are once again supporting the Jeans for Genes charity, which helps children with genetic disorders. We request that the children wear jeans along with their school jumpers on this day, and give a suggested donation of £1 to this very worthwhile cause.

Sports Pitch

The new sports pitch is now completed. I am sure you agree is an exciting new addition to our playground resources, this has been funded by the PE Sports Grant Premium. Pupils will begin to use the equipment at lunchtimes and for PE lessons next week.

40th Anniversary Celebration

We are holding an anniversary celebration for our 40th Birthday and Conversion to Primary School on Friday 29th September from 1.45 to 3.30pm. The children will be singing songs from across the decades from 1977 to 2017. Followed by the official opening of our new building with Refreshments and BBQ. Please come along if you can.

Attendance

I would like to remind you of the following:

Beginning of the day

Time	
8.40am	School gates and Year 5 classroom doors open
8.45am	Foundation Stage to Year 4 doors open
8.55am	All pupils are expected to be in class ready to start the day. Gates close

End of the day

Time	
3.20pm	Foundation Stage
3.25pm	Years 1 & 2
3.30pm	Years 3, 4 & 5

Please remember – Good attendance equals good learning.

Website: Please bear with us whilst our school website is being updated.

Reminder

We would still welcome donations of items such as unwanted paving slabs, drainpipes, decking boards, waterproof trousers, cable reels, wellies and tarpaulins. These will be used to develop our outside learning area. If you have anything else you think may be of use, please contact the Foundation Stage or Miss Wilson.

Collecting arrangements at the end of the school day

As you are aware, in order to keep your child safe, we require notification of the person collecting your child from school if this is anyone other than those with parental responsibility. Therefore I would ask you to complete the below form detailing any person you authorise to collect your child (ren) at the end of the school day.

Please return the form to the school office by Monday 11th September.

If you have any queries on any of the above, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Yours sincerely,

Mr P Stanyard
Head Teacher